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of Municipal Officers
for the Year Ending Jan. 31, 1926

Town of FREEDOM
New Hampshire

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE

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TOWN OFFICERS 1925

Moderator
EDWIN L. HUCKINS

Town Clerk
PERLEY K. TOWLE

Treasurer
ALMON R. BENNETT

Selectmen
EDWIN L. HUCKINS JOHN J. BRADBURY
CHARLES M. TOWLE

Auditor
ALMONT T. DURGIN

Road Agents
ELMER HARMON CURTIS LIBBY

Library Trustees
LETTIE THURSTON BERTHA DREW
MAUD LINCOLN

Supervisors
ALONZO E. DURGIN JOSEPH S. MILLS
WILBER HARMON

Fire Warden
CHARLES M. TOWLE

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom, in the County of Carroll in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 10 th day of March next, at nine (9) of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.

3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the public Library.

4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for decorating soldiers graves.

5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for breaking winter roads.

6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for summer highways and bridges.

7. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid and raise such sums of money as required by the state Highway Department.

8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to put sills under the roller house.

9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to apply on the town debt.

10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of old home week.

11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the extermination of white pine blister.

12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for street lighting.

13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the use of hydrants.

14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for cutting bushes.

Given under our hand and seal, twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

CHARLES M. TOWLE
EDWIN L. HUCKINS
JOHN J. BRADBURY
Selectmen of Freedom

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

TAXES ASSESSED FOR ALL PURPOSES

State tax	$1170 00	
County tax	1368 38	
Town charges	1000 00	
Cutting bushes	150 00	
Hydrant	300 00	
Street lights	360 00	
Town Dept.	2000 00	
Old Home Week	50 00	
State Aid Construction	769 50	
State Aid Maintenance	1400 00	
Roller house	50 00	
Summer highway and bridges	1500 00	
Winter roads	600 00	
G. A. R.	15 00	
Public Library	86 40	
		$10,819 28

School Money

Amount required by law	$2732 70	
Supt. salary	144 45	
High School tuition	670 00	
School Dept.	125 00	
Equipment	50 00	
Dist. Officers	70 00	
Medical Inspection	15 00	
		$3807 15
Overlay		622 83
		$15,249 28

INVENTORY APRIL 1, 1925

245 Poles @ $3.00	$735 00
Land and Buildings	464,046 00
127 Horses	11,270 00
Asses and Mules	50 00
5 Ponies	230 00
10 Oxen	960 00

158 Cows	6,590 00	
35 Neat stock	1,560 00	
17 Sheep	167 00	
410 Fowls	615 00	
Portable Mills	775 00	
Boats	100 00	
Wood and Lumber	12,128 00	
Gasoline Pumps	900 00	
Stock in trade	7,100 00	
Aqueducts	1000 00	
		$508,226 00
Soldiers Exemptions		5,450 00

CONDENSED BUDGET

	1925	1926
Town Officers salaries	$ 365 00	$ 400 00
Town Officers expenses	88 28	100 00
Election and registration	41 00	100 00
Town hall lights	137 85	140 00
General expense	482 24	500 00
Cutting bushes	149 50	150 00
Board health	19 00	15 00
Vital Statistics	9 25	15 00
Winter roads	564 72	600 00
State aid contribution	1961 91	2000 00
Town aid contribution	1367 79	1400 00
Summer road	1352 62	1500 00
Street lighting	360 00	360 00
Public Library	112 80	50 00
Town poor	224 48	325 00
G. A. R.	30 00	15 00
Old Home Week	102 00	50 00
Public water	22 50	22 50
Hydrants	300 00	300 00
Long term notes interest	534 05	300 00
Bridge plank	306 53	
Culverts	164 25	150 00

State Aid Construction state part	325 25	
		800 00
Town Aid Construction town part	846 05	
Dog licenses fees	10 75	
Hedgehog bounties	26 40	
Short term note	1000 00	
Long term note	4225 00	2000 00
State taxes	1170 00	1170 00
County taxes	1368 38	1368 38
Percent taxes	504 15	
School taxes	3985 15	

EFFECT OF TAXES

Assessed Valuation	$507,491 00
Estimated decreased valuation	15,000 00
Amount required to be raised	15,000 00

Uniform Classification as Required by Tax Commission

From property and polls	15,500 00
From State maintenance	1,434 04
From State construction	305 00
Savings bank tax	195 00
Dog tax	122 00
Town Hall	599 00
Auto permit	640 93
Carroll County Trust Co., note	987 50
Cash on hand Jan. 30, 1926	808 16

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSE GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1	Town officers salaries	$ 365 00
2	Town officers expenses	88 28
3	Town Hall expenses	323 27
4	Election and registration	41 00
5	Electric street lights	360 00
6	Town Hall lights	137 85
7	General expense	482 24
8	Cutting bushes	149 50
9	Winter roads, 1924	232 78

	Winter roads 1925	271 94	
10	Summer road, Elmer Harmon	659 56	
11	Summer road, Curtis Libby	693 06	
12	State road construction	997 33	
13	State road maintenance	2,801 83	
14	Town poor	224 48	
15	Culverts	164 25	
16	Public water	22 50	
17	Bridge plank	306 53	
18	Dog killed and license fees	10 75	
19	School money	3,985 65	
20	County tax	1,368 38	
21	State tax	1170 00	
22	Percent tax	504 15	
	Hydrant	300 00	
23	Vital Statistics	9 25	
24	Board Health	19 00	
25	Notes	5,225 00	
26	Interest	534 05	
27	Hedgehog bounties	26 40	
28	Public Library	112 80	
29	G. A. R.	30 00	
30	Old Home Week	102 00	
31	Abatements	244 38	
32	Property bought for taxes	50 97	
33	Merrow and Milliken, 1924	85 40	
			$22,159 55

Detail 1

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

E. C. Eastman, clerk supplies	$29 75
E. C. Eastman, books	17 40
E. C. Eastman, invoice book	23 68
E. C. Eastman, order blanks and vouchers	7 19
A. R. Bennett, postage	3 26
E. L. Huckins, postage and telephone	1 00

C. M. Towle, postage and telephone	6 00	
		$88 28

Detail 2

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

E. L. Huckins, Selectman	$75 00	
J. J. Bradbury, Selectman	60 00	
C. M. Towle, Selectman	50 00	
Almon R. Bennett, Treasurer	30 00	
A. E. Durgin, Collector	100 00	
Perley K. Towle, Clerk	40 00	
A. E. Durgin, Constable	5 00	
A. T. Durgin, Auditor	5 00	
		$365 00

Detail 3

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

A. M. Hayes, janitor	$126 00	
Victor Hayes, janitor	37 00	
Freedom precinct water	4 50	
Maud Gilmon, cleaning hall	3 45	
Jennie Cole, cleaning hall	3 45	
Victor Hayes, cleaning vault	3 00	
E. L. Mills, insurance	12 00	
C. H. Tilton, repairing setees	7 42	
Wax for town hall	2 45	
E. L. Mills, insurance	120 00	
Raymond Davis, putting wood in shed	4 00	
		$323 27

Detail 4

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

E. L. Huckins, Moderator	$5 00	

Wilber Harmon, Supervisor	5 00	
Wilber Harmon, extra lists	3 00	
A. A. Lovering, Gatekeeper	3 00	
Wesley Milliken, Ballot Clerk	3 00	
Joseph S. Mills, Supervisor	5 00	
Alonzo E. Durgin, Supervisor	5 00	
Arthur A. Bennett, Ballot Clerk	3 00	
Wilber Harmon, Gate tender	3 00	
E. M. Drake	3 00	
Phil A. Bennett	3 00	
		$41 00

Detail 5

ELECTRIC LIGHT

Freedom Electric Light Co., A. A. Lovering, treasurer	$360 00

Detail 6

TOWN HALL LIGHTS

Freedom Electric Light Co., hall lights	$137 85

Detail 7

GENERAL EXPENSE

Printing Town reports	$77 30
Town and School reports	7 00
J. J. Bradbury, to Concord	30 75
J. J. Bradbury, tax meeting	7 00
C. M. Towle, tax meeting	7 00
E. L. Huckins, tax meeting	7 00
Western Road Machine Co.	6 00
W. P. Farmer, assessors fees	2 00
Edwin Huckins, work on roller house	3 00
A. D. Smith, turing piano	4 75
Henry Sanborn, watching fire	6 00
Raymond Davis, watching fire	3 00

Decorating Hall	15 00	
E. L. Huckins, telephone and drills	2 50	
H. B. Milliken, as per bill	34 93	
E. L. Mills, as per bill	8 35	
Auto Service Book, Town Clerk	4 64	
Smart and Smart	10 00	
J. J. Bradbury, as per bill	36 20	
A. E. Kenison	4 00	
E. L. Huckins, looking at timber	9 00	
C. M. Towle, use of auto	10 00	
Wilber Harmon, road work wash out	3 00	
Mark Huckins, sills for roller house	5 61	
Floyd Chase, road work wash out	6 50	
C. M. Towle, light in square	30 00	
C. M. Towle, wood for town hall	48 00	
C. M. Towle, work on roller house	6 00	
C. M. Towle, work and money paid out	30 00	
Perley K. Towle, auto permits	23 00	
Perley K. Towle, postage	4 11	
Arthur N. Conner, fixing bridge	5 00	
Frank Drew, fixing road, S. & W.	12 00	
Maud Lincoln, rubbish can	1 60	
Minnie Towle, as per bill	12 00	
		$482 24

Detail 8

CUTTING BUSHES

Henry Sanborn	$9 00
Edwin Huckins	38 00
Richard Weed	31 00
J. J. Bradbury	4 50
Floyd Chase	7 50
Geo. A. Demeritt	24 00

Mark Huckins	10 50	
Guy Libby	14 50	
Edwin Meserve	1 50	
L. G. Burnham	9 00	
		$149 50

Detail 9

WINTER ROADS

Gardner Nason	$35 00	
Edwin L. Huckins	1 00	
L. G. Burnham	70 00	
F. W. Brooks	40 00	
C. M. Towle	34 14	
A. E. Durgin	34 14	
Mark Huckins	35 00	
S. O. Huckins	25 00	
Amos L. Mills	3 50	
Joseph Mills	3 50	
Melvin Watson	11 50	
		$292 78

1925 and 1926

Frank Allard	$29 94	
D. L. Harriman	40 00	
F. W. Brooks	202 00	
		$271 94

Detail 10

TOWN ROAD

Elmer Harmon, Agent

Elmer Harmon	$193 20
Frank Allard	13 00
Gardner Nason	91 85
Carroll Thurston	9 00
C. B. Chase	1 00
Floyd Chase	26 00

Amos Mills	12 00	
Melvin Watson	34 50	
Mark Huckins	76 88	
Harry B. Milliken	2 50	
Guy Libby	10 50	
Elwin Thurston	3 00	
Vern Conner	60	
John Stokes	1 95	
Jesse I. Drew	39 89	
Fred Weed	16 99	
Richard Weed	18 45	
Frank Frost	6 00	
George A. Demeritt	34 95	
Joseph Mills	35 35	
Edwin Huckins	31 95	
		$659 56

Detail 11

CURTIS LIBBY, AGENT

Curtis Libby	$269 25
Geo. Eastman	69 50
Clarence Godfrey	4 50
H. L. Weeks	3 00
Arthur Meserve	6 00
A. E. Durgin	21 20
Fred Godfrey	23 80
Frank Allard	3 00
Ambros Stewart	2 00
Edwin Meserve	9 00
A. P. Merrow, bridge plank	10 50
R. M. Brooks	12 00
Norman Eastman	26 00
Ernest Sargent	63 00
L. M. Brooks	38 00
Fred Stewart	37 50
Frank McKinley	9 00
J. H. Mitchell	2 20

John Godfrey	3 00	
John Giles	6 00	
Raymond Davis	9 00	
Floyd Chase	39 00	
J. J. Bradbury	26 61	
		$693 06

Amount raised for roads and culverts		$1500 00
Amount expended, Elmer Harmon	$659 56	
Amount expended, Curtis Libby	693 06	
Amount expended for culverts	164 25	
		$1,516 87

Detail 12

STATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Edwin L. Huckins	$ 74 50	
Elmer E. Harmon	133 25	
Frank Watson	58 50	
John J. Bradbury	57 00	
Jesse I. Drew	47 60	
Elmer Weed, cartage	6 00	
Henry Sanborn	64 50	
Gardner Nason	76 75	
Carroll Thurston	61 50	
Richard Weed	42 00	
Vern Conner	14 10	
Willis Bennett	63 00	
Frank Allard	133 25	
Raymond Davis	61 50	
Floyd Chase	53 50	
S. O. Huckins, cement, dynamite	39 38	
Jesse I. Drew	11 00	
		$997 33

State appropriation 1925	$307 60	
State bal. from 1924	17 65	
		$325 25
State expended	$173 97	
State check to town	151 28	
		$325 25
Town appropriation 1925	$769 50	
Town bal. in town 1924	29 43	
		$798 93
Town expended	$846 05	
Overdrawn	47 12	
		$798 93

Detail 13

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

J. H. Mitchell	$1,948 98
Wilber Harmon	519 80
Charles R. Clark, posts	6 00
Maud Fox, marl	78
John Stokes	14 40
Amos L. Mills	9 00
Stanley Towle, marl and gravel	48 10
Freedom Precinct, wood pipe	1 20
Edwin Meserve	52 67
Almont Gilmon	3 00
Fred Weed	28 65
Daniel Brooks	7 33
F. C. Tyler	15 01
F. C. Stewart	17 66
Donald Douglas	19 66
J. H. Seavey, screen	5 88
L. E. Goss	4 65
S. D. Baker, blacksmith work	8 35
Elmer Weed, cartage	12 33

E. L. Mills, blacksmith work	5 80	
H. B. Milliken, supplies	4 32	
Floyd Chase	18 00	
S. O. Huckins, cement and dynamite	40 30	
Jesse I. Drew	9 96	
		$2,801 83
State contribution 1925 $2,000		
State expended	$ 527 87	
State check to town	1,434 04	
Balance due from state	38 09	
		$2,000 00
Town contribution 1925 $1,400		
Expended by town	$1,367 79	
Balance in town	32 21	
		$1,400 00
Total		$3,400 00

Detail 14

TOWN POOR

Miria Sanborn, labor for Freeman Fox	$21 00	
County Farm, board of Freeman Fox	203 48	
		$224 48

Detail 15

CULVERTS FOR TOWN ROADS

North East Metal Co.	$164 25

Detail 16

PUBLIC WATER

Ernest Sargent	$2 50	
Edwin Meserve	1 50	
L. M. Brooks	1 50	
M. J. Milliken	2 00	
A. L. Mills	2 50	
M. B. Godfrey	2 50	
William Watson	2 50	
Frank McKinley	2 50	
L. J. Allard	2 50	
A. B. Pease	2 50	
		$22 50

Detail 17

BRIDGE PLANK

S. O. Huckins, bridge plank	$299 53	
Albion Towle, painting Huntress bridge	7 00	
		$306 53

Detail 18

DOG KILLED

A. A. Lovering, killing dog	$ 50	
Perley K. Towle, dog license	10 25	
		$10 75

Detail 19

SCHOOL MONEY

School Board	$1700 00	
School Board, dog tax due school	178 50	
School Board, bal. due school	2107 15	
		$3985 65

Detail 20

COUNTY TAX

J. H. Garland, county tax		$1368 38

Detail 21

STATE TAX

State Treasurer, state tax		$1170 00

Detail 22

PRECINCT TAX

A. A. Lovering, Hydrant tax	300 00	
A. A. Lovering, Treasurer	$504 15	
		$804 15

Detail 23

VITAL STATISTICS

Perley Towle	$5 75	
E. B. Andrews	3 50	
		$9 25

Detail 24

BOARD HEALTH

E. B. Andrews	$15 00	
E. B. Andrews, sending away water	4 00	
		$19 00

Detail 25

Mrs. John L. Sargent	$ 175 00
Mrs. Jennie Taylor	1000 00
Frank Towle	800 00
Arthur A. Bennett	600 00
Ada Clement	350 00
Lilla Bennett	200 00

Almon R. Bennett	600 00	
Etta Young	500 00	
Carroll County Trust Co.	1000 00	
		$5225 00

Detail 26

INTEREST

John Giles	$50 00	
Mrs. John L. Sargent	7 58	
Mrs. Jennie Taylor	37 50	
Mrs. Ada Clement	34 40	
Mrs. Etta Young	47 91	
A. R. Bennett and family	94 16	
Arthur A. Bennett	65 00	
Frank Towle	120 00	
George A. Demerritt	77 50	
		$534 05

Detail 27

Hedgehog Bounties

Bounties Paid		$26 40

Detail 28

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Charlotte M. Milliken	$26 40	
Bertha Drew	86 40	
		$112 80

Detail 29

G. A. R.

Phil A. Bennett, 1924-1925	$30 00	

Detail 30

For Old Home Week

Phil A. Bennett, work on ball grounds	$52 00	

Fred Huntress	50 00	
Walter Andrews, precinct tax		
		$102 00

Detail 31

ABATEMENTS

Walter Moses, over taxed	$7 15	
Emma Towle, over taxed	7 15	
Walter Andrews, precinct tax	5 55	
William Thurston	14 30	
E. J. Littlefield	71 50	
Stanley & Garner	100 00	
Mary Harmon, exempt	7 15	
Ada Weed, down in Maine	3 00	
Miria L. Bennett, over 70	3 00	
Ida Watson, over 70	3 00	
Clarence Wyman	3 00	
Ella Wyman	3 00	
John Eastman	10 58	
Mrs. John Eastman	3 00	
J. C. Libby over 70	3 00	
		$244 38

Detail 32

ABATEMENT 1924

Merrow & Milliken		$85 40
Property bought for taxes 1925		$50 97

LIABILITIES

Frank Towle, note	$1000 00	
George A. Demeritt	1550 00	
Arthur A. Bennett	600 00	
Lilla Bennett	500 00	
John Giles	500 00	
Phil A. Bennett	500 00	
Dog tax due School Dis.	101 25	
		$4751 25

ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer Jan. 31, 1926	$808 61	
Due from State hedghog bounties	26 40	
Due from State, maintenance	38 09	
Property holden for taxes 1924-1925	110 68	
Taxes not collected	261 28	
Winter Roads 1925-1926	271 94	
Gravel Pit	300 00	
		$1817 00
Net Debt Jan. 31, 1926		$2934 25
Out standing notes Jan. 31, 1925		$8875 00
Notes paid in year 1925		$4225 00
Out standing note Jan. 31, 1926		$4650 00

I hereby certify that I have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them properly cast and vouchers for same.

ALMON T. DURGIN
Auditor

EDWIN L. HUCKINS
JOHN J. BRADBURY
CHARLES M. TOWLE
Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

1925-26

Town of Freedom, N. H.

Almon R. Bennett, Treas.

Receipts

P. K. Towle, dog tax	$122 00
P. K. Towle, automobile permits	640 93
A. E. Durgin, 1924 taxes	388 89
C. M. Towle, Town hall rent	599 00
Carroll Co. Trust Co. Short term note	987 50

A. E. Durgin, 1925 taxes	15503 85	
Forest fire	35 50	
Hedgehog bounties	24 40	
Savings Bank tax	195 34	
Interest & Dividend tax	26 04	
State Aid construction	151 28	
State Aid maintenance	1434 04	
Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1925	2855 39	
Received from Freedom Precinct	4 00	
Total receipts		$22,968 16
Total payments		22,159 55
Balance		$808 61
Cash in Treasury		$808 61

I hereby certify that I have this day, Feb. 15. 1926, examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find them properly cast and vouchers for the same.

ALMON T. DURGIN
Auditor

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Trust Funds of the Town of Freedom, N. H., for the fiscal year ending January 30, 1926.

Nancy Skillings Fund	$102 46	
1925, Feb. 1. Unexpended interest	4 88	
Interest	4 25	
		$111 59
Expended		
Paid Beedy Philbrick, labor	$ 3 00	
Unexpended balance	108 59	
		$111 59
Nancy Burns Fund	$203 00	
1925, Feb. 1, Unexpended interest	5 50	

Interest on fund	8 50	
		$217 00
Expended:		
Paid Guy Libby, labor	$ 6 00	
Unexpended balance	211 00	
		$217 00
Bradbury and Fowler Fund	$200 00	
1925, Feb. 1, Unexpended interest	5 00	
Interest on fund	8 12	
		$213 12
Expended:		
Paid A. G. Fowler, a sper bill	$7 00	
Frank McKinley, labor	1 00	
Unexpended balance	205 13	
		$213 12
Eliza J. Alley Fund	$100 00	
1925, Feb. 1, Interest on fund	4 00	
		$104 00
Expended:		
Paid Beedy Philbrick, labor	$ 4 00	
Trust Fund	100 00	
		$104 00
Ina E. Foss Fund	$102 45	
1925, Feb. 1, Interest on fund	4 25	
		$106 65
Expended:		
Paid Beedy Philbrick	$ 4 00	
Unexpended balance	102 65	
		$106 65
M. C. and Stephen Allard Fund	$150 00	

1925, Feb. 1, Interest on fund	6 00	
		$156 00
Expended:		
Paid Beedy Philbrick	$ 6 00	
Trust fund	150 00	
		$156 00
Metcalf and Cushing Fund	$100 00	
1925, Feb. 1, Interest on fund	4 00	
		$104 00
Expended:		
Paid Beedy Philbrick, labor	4 00	
Trust fund	100 00	
		$104 00
Lillian and A. R. Bennett Fund	$100 00	
1925. Feb. 1, Interest for six months	2 00	
		$102 00
Expended:		
Paid Beedy Philbrick, labor	2 00	
Trust fund	100 00	
		$102 00

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN J. BRADBURY

Freedom, January 30, 1926.

I hereby certify that I have examined this day, the foregoing account of the Board of Trustees of Trust Funds and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

ALMON T. DURGIN,
Auditor

To the Selectmen of Freedom, N. H.

In compliance with an act of the Legislature, passed at the June session 1877, I hereby submit the

following report for the year ending January 31, 1926.
Feb. 20, 1925.

Automobile Permits

F. O. Bradbury and son	$17	60	Charles M. Towle	43	08
Charles M. Towle	4	94	Raymond F. Williams	6	46
Alton P. Lovering	1	88	Perley Williams	4	94
Harvey J. Lord	2	38	Frank Drew	2	62
Albert A. Phinney	3	30	Carroll Thurston	4	76
Dennis Doherty	1	65	Ruth M. Meserve	3	49
Ozro F. Parsons	4	10	Sidney Welch	13	52
Frank H. Davis	2	55	Edgar L. Mills	8	42
Mildred P. Goss	13	62	Alonzo E. Durgin	1	80
Verne C. Ramsdell	16	92	Ezekiel Andrews	17	35
Arthur A. Bennett	6	27	Frank W. Brooks	4	17
Lewis G. Burnham	15	54	Edward C. Perear	6	90
Phil A. Bennett	13	55	Clarence D. Godfrey	5	11
Curtis E. Libby	2	55	Fred C. Stuart	6	27
Norman C. Eastman	3	30	Walter H. Bentley	2	66
Elwin L. Hopkins	2	25	John P. Godfrey	6	46
Harriet Furbush	4	93	Walter C. Nutter	15	22
Jesse I. Drew	3	98	Daniel Garvin	2	25
John W. Stokes	15	54	Fred L. Godfrey	2	55
Eugene M. Drake	10	34	Harvey Lord	2	48
Joseph Tyler	15	22	Cora B. Nason	2	20
Arthur R. Tilton	13	59	Amos L. Mills	8	42
John P. Godfrey	2	75	George W. Eastman	2	63
Charles A. Boyden	8	32	Carroll E. Thurston	1	09
Ernest Leavitt	8	98	Walter S. Fracker	2	25
Elwin Thurston	6	44	Frank Meserve	1	72
Geo. H. Fox Est.	12	75	Verne C. Ramsdell	6	29
Jesse B. Hurd	2	55	Beedy Philbrick	2	45
Joseph H. Mitchell	11	88	John E. Thurston	6	44
Elmer R. Weed	8	76	Eugene M. Drake	9	46
Mark P. Huckins	16	58	George F. Huckins	18	62
Frank Watson	2	45	Soletus Drake	16	84
Daniel Brooks	12	68	Fred C. Bradbury	9	60
			Harry S. Ross	2	98

Ross M. Cunningham	1	95	Jesse E. Nason	1	80
Frank O. Bradbury	11	08	Charles M. Towle	1	90
Winslow H. and			Charles M. Towle	21	54
Archie Brown	2	63	Phil A. Bennett	7	16
David C. McAlester	2	75	Carroll Thurston	3	15
Jesse E. Nason	2	76	Ruth M. Meserve	1	50
Victor O. Hayes	5	73	W. A. Bennett & Son	4	88
Frank Meserve	5	50	Arthur A. Bennett	2	69
Lewis Burnham	2	40	Ezekiel B. Andrews	12	02
Willis Bennett	1	28	Frank W. Brooks	4	80
George Demeritt	3	22	Frank W. Brooks	5	16
Sydney Baker	1	49	Norman Eastman	1	98
Mildred P. Goss	6	06			
Edward C. Perear	3	86	Total	$640	93

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIAGES 1925

April 16, 1925, in Freedom, N. H., by Rev. Nelson M. Heikes, Celon L. Cook and Flossie Merrill. Celon L. Cook: residence, Freedom, age 25, color white, occupation teamster, birthplace Ossipee, N. H., first marriage, mother Edith M. Cook. Flossie Merrill: residence Freedom, age 23, color white, occupation house work, birthplace Freedom, 2nd marriage, father Henry Sanborn, mother Alice Gilman.

August 8, 1925: Raymond Williams and Hazel I. Brown, by B. D. Newell clergyman, in Effingham Falls. Raymond Williams: residence Freedom, age 18, color white, occupation trucking, birthplace Brownfield, Me., first marriage, father Fred Williams, mother Jessie Bishop. Hazel I. Brown: residence Freedom, age 17, color white, occupation housework, birthplace Freedom, first marriage, father Winslow H. Brown, mother Angie Moses.

Jan. 2, 1926: Jesse D. Hurd and Awilda Cummings, in Effingham Falls, by B. D. Newell clergyman. Jesse

D. Hurd: residence Freedom, age 46, color white, occupation lumbering, birthplace Center Conway, second mariage, father David Hurd, mother Augusta Thurston. Awilda Cummings: residence Freedom, age 45, color white, occupation housework, birth place Freedom, second marriage, father Alonzo Lovering, mother Mary Bean.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy according to my best knowledge and belief.

PERLEY K. TOWLE
Town Clerk
A. T. DURGIN, Auditor

BIRTHS 1925

Feb. 28, 1925 to Harry B. Milliken and Charlotte B. Milliken, a son: occupation of father, merchant.

March 30, 1925, to Clarence Wyman and Ella Judkins, a son: occupation of father, laborer.

April 16, 1925, to Elmer Weed and Annie Allard, a daughter: occupation of father, trucking.

Oct. 23, 1925, to Raymond Williams and Hazel I. Brown, a daughter: occupation of father, laborer.

DEATHS 1925

Jan. 20, 1925 in Freedom, infant of Ernest Sargent and Hattie Day.

Feb. 8, 1925 in Boston, Mass., Louise F. Milliken, age 65 years 1 month 27 days.

Feb. 10, 1925, in Middleton, Mass., Ervin W. Godfrey, age 65 years ———.

March 24, 1925, in Freedom, Fred Williams, age 56 years.

May 23,, 1925, in Freedom, Rhoda A. Smith, age 86 years 3 months 3 days.

May 30, 1925, in Freedom Mary K. Towle, age 64 years 8 months 15 days.

July 23, 1925, in Freedom, Ozro F. Parsons, age 78 years 6 months.

Sept. 4, 1925, in Freedom, Sada Kezar, age 67 years 9 months 7 days.

Sept. 3, 1925 in Portsmouth, Mary J. Eastman, age 90 years 4 months 21 days.

Sept. 25, 1925, in Ossipee, Luegene Wyman Rand.

Sept. 29, 1925, in Freedom, John P. Gordon, age 71 years 2 months 14 days.

October 23, 1925, in Freedom, Mary J. Lovering, age 76 years 5 months 22 days.

Oct. 13, 1925, in Freedom, Hiram Philbrick, age 71 years.

Oct. 29, 1925, in Fredom, Josephine Patterson, age 82 years 10 months 4 days.

Nov. 26, 1925, in Freedom, Alonzo G. Fowler, age 80 years 26 days.

Jan. 4, 1926, in Somerville, Mass., John A. Danforth, age 61 years 21 days.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy, according to my best knowledge and belief.

PERLEY K. TOWLE
Town Clerk

I hereby certify that I have examined this day, the foregoing account of the Town Clerk and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

A. T. DURGIN, Auditor

LIBRARY REPORT

Forty-six books unfit for use have been discarded and about eighty new books added. Friends have also given some books.

The traveling libraries sent out by the Public Library Commission have been maintained in the library nearly all the year, thus securing the reading of one hundred thirty-five books in addition to the regular library.

Cash on hand	$29 50	
Received from Town	86 40	
Received from food sale	12 00	
Received from Fines	99	
Total		$128 89
Paid Librarian	$26 00	
Paid for books	93 45	
Paid for express and postage	5 32	
Paid for supplies	2 75	
Cash on hand	1 37	
Total		$128 89

BERTHA H. DREW
Chairman of Trustees

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

School Board

Abby W. Nutter, term expires 1926
Georgia Danforth, term expires 1927.
Alice Weeks, term expires 1928

Superintendent of Schools

Harold C. Wingate

Medical Examiner

E. B. Andrews, M. D.

The School Board herewith submits to the citizens of the school district of Freedom the following report.

This report gives the financial standing of the district for the year ending June 30th 1925, the report of the district superintendent, H. C. Wingate, and that of the Medical Examiner, E. B. Andrews, M. D.

Respectfully submitted,
ABBY W. NUTTER

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE FREEDOM SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1924, and Ending June 30, 1925

Receipts

From state: Equalization (state aid)	$1473 87	
From Selectmen, raised by taxation	2390 61	
For High School Tuition	510 00	
For Salaries of District Officers	59 00	
For payment of per capita tax	140 00	
Medical Inspection	15 00	
New Equipment and Improvements	225 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	144 45	
Special Tuition (Beda Gray)	45 00	
		$3529 06
Received from sources other than taxation:		
(a) Sale of property	$95 00	
(b) State aid adjustment	49 16	
		$144 16
Total receipts from all sources		$5147 09
Cash on hand at beginning of year July 1, 1924		22 93
Grand Total		$5170 02

Payments

Salaries of District Officers	$59 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	144 45	
School Census	5 00	
Expenses of Administration	26 50	
Principal's and Teachers' salaries	1584 00	
Text books	84 51	
Scholars' supplies	88 75	
Other expenses of instruction	9 70	
Janitor service	126 00	
Fuel	119 87	
Water, light and janitor's supplies	9 34	
Minor repairs and expenses	50 86	
Medical inspection	30 00	
Transportation of pupils	1640 81	
High school tuition	466 70	
Elementary school tuition	206 50	
Other special activities	1 50	
Alterations of old buildings	72 65	
New Equipment	9 30	
Payments of interest on debt	18 00	
Tax for state wide supervision	140 00	
Total payments for all purposes		$4893 44
Total cash on hand June 30, 1925		276 58
Grand Total		$5170 02

Liabilities

High school tuition:		
Conway	$ 70 00	
Parsonsfield	90 00	
Madison	163 30	
Notes Outstanding:		
Almon T. Durgin	175 00	
Almon T. Durgin	125 00	
		$623 30

Assets

Balance June 30, 1925	$276 58
Excess of liabilities over assets	346 72
	$623 30

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ABBY W. NUTTER
Chairman of School Board

ALMON T. DURGIN, Auditor

SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET

For School Year beginning July 1, 1926

1.	Amount of the $5.00 tax	$2732 37
2.	High school tuition	670 00
3.	Salaries of District Officers	70 00
4.	Per Capita tax	150 00
5.	Superintendent's excess salary	144 45
6.	Payments on debt	175 00
7.	Payment of interest on debt	12 00
8.	Repairs, improvements and equipment	250 00
9.	For medical inspection	15 00

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board of Freedom:

There was no change in teachers during the year which ended on June 30, 1925. Mr. Bennett is continuing his services in the grammar room this year. As Mrs. Heikes was not a candidate for re-election, Miss Lucinda Brown was chosen to fill the position of primary teacher.

The fall term of school opened on September 7th with an enrollment of fifty-four pupils, and closed on December 18th. The Christmas vacation was of one

week's duration, the winter term beginning on December 28th. If neither sickness nor exceptionally bad weather interferes with our schedule, the schools will close on March 12th for a vacation of three weeks, at a period of the year in which traveling conditions are likely to be the worst and consequently school attendance the poorest. The spring term opens on April 5th and closes June 11th.

Last year diplomas were awarded five pupils, three of whom are now in attendance at high school and academy. At present there is an enrollment of four in the eighth grade which probably asures a graduation next June.

Four Freedom girls completed their courses in secondary schools last year and all of them made very creditable records. The community may well take pride in the fact that three of thees girls are now enrolled in a higher institution of learning in our state, the Plymouth Normal School. One of New Hampshire's greatest needs in the past few years has been an adequate supply of normal trained teachers, adequate not in number alone but in capacity to understand the problems of the smaller community. Surely Freedom is doing her part when she contributes three of her progressive young people to the cause of education in a single year. No vocation on earth is of greater importance than that of training the young in intelligence and character.

I wish to congratulate you upon the excellent improvements made in the interior of the schoolhouse last summer. The rooms are decidedly more attractive with their lighter colored walls. The partitions serve the double puropse of doing away with cross lighting with its attendant eyestrain, and of making possible a warm, well-ventilated place for the pupils' outer garments. The heating of the rooms is much more effective with the addition of the stove drums. I recommend the installation of slate blackboards on the

front of each of the partitions. The cost of these boards delivered would be approximately $60.00. Other types of blackboard material can be obtained at less cost, but first grade slate is the most economical because it requires no refinishing and is permanent. I also recommend the purchase of a sand table for the primary room. One of these could be obtained from commercial houses for about $25.00, and would possibly be built locally for a somewhat less amount. It would be very desirable to have chemical toilets and regular jacketed stoves that provide for both heating and ventilating.

In closing, let me say that I am pleased with the progress of our schools this year. Both teachers are working with interest and enthusiasm and good results should attend their efforts. Let me also express my appreciation of the assistance and cooperation of the school board.

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD C. WINGATE
Superintendent

ATTENDANCE BY SCHOOLS 1924-1925

School Grades	Teacher	Total Membership	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance
Village I-IV	Anna W. Heikes	32	25	87
Village V-VIII	Phil A. Bennett	29	28	94
		61	53	91

HONOR ROLL OF ATTENDANCE 1924-1925 . . . ONE TERM

Jessie Giles
Lionel Giles
Barbara Lincoln
Doris Lincoln
Norman Lord
Edwin Mills
Janette Milliken
Eva Sanborn

TWO TERMS

Donald Chase
Albert Lovering
Lahlia Lovering

THREE TERMS

Eleanor Chase
Archie Judkins

GRADUATES FROM EIGHTH GRADE, JUNE 1925

Muriel Furbush
Avis Goss
Helen Ford
Lahlia Lovering
Edward Stokes

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, 1925-1926

Evelyn Brooks, Kennett High School
Bertha Burnham, Tilton Seminary
Doris Drake, Parsonsfield Seminary
Beatrice Giles, Madison High School
Madeline Giles, Madison High School
Avis Goss, Ossipee High School
Lahlia Lovering, Ossipee High School
Leila Mason, Kennett High School
Clifford Milliken, Parsonsfield High School
Edward Stokes, Parsonsfield High School
Pauline Towle, Parsonsfield High School
George Weeks, Parsonsfield High School

Health Supervision—District Summary, 1924-1925

Examiner, Dr. E. B. Andrews

Number of pupils examined, 46

	Cases found	Reported to parent	Treatment Received
Malnutrition	9		
Defective Vision	13	13	
Defective Hearing	3	3	
Defective Teeth	24	24	
Hypertrophied Tonsils	14	14	
Adenoids	2	2	

Unvaccinated	4	4	
Tonsilitis	1	1	1

Transportation, 1925-1926

From	To	Conveyor	Number Conveyed	Length of Route	Cost per week
Swett Hill,	Village,	Norman Eastman	6-11	4½ mi	$15-18
Young's Hill,	Village,	John Giles	3	3 mi	9 00
Farnsworth School,	Village,	Mrs. Ada Littlefield	8	4 mi	9 00
East Freedom,	Village,	Phil A. Bennett	1	2½ mi	4 50
Ossipee Lake West Ossipee,		Frank Gately	2-4	3 1-3 mi	8 00

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